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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 December 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-26 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-26 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

2. Claims 1-3, 8-13, 18-22 and 25-26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by White (US. Pat. #: 6,941,134).

Regarding claims 1, 11 and 21, White teaches a system and a method for automated management of the behavior of a wireless communication device. The system and method which allows an authorized person (e.g., parents or employers) to set preferences or controls specifying the actions or inactions that a wireless communication device will be constrained to. The authorized person may configure the preferences, via using of a computer or workstation 12 as shown in figure 1, by accessing to a dedicated provider configuration application 106. The overall specified preferences can include a number of minutes per billing cycle, called total buckets, a number of minutes allotted to peak or off-peak hours, etc. When the specified preferences were properly updated and entered by the authorized person, the specified preferences are transmitted to the device 118 (see col.4, line 51 through col.5, line 67). The device 118 is configured and then operates with the new preferences (see col.6, line 42 through col.39).

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Regarding claims 2-3, 12-13 and 22, note col.8, lines 9-32.

Regarding claims 8-9, 18-19 and 25-26, note col.8, lines 63-67.

Regarding claims 10, 20, note col.4, lines 37-50.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 4-7, 14-17 and 23-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over White (US. Pat. #: 6,941,134) in view of Pericas et al. (Pub. No.: US 2004/0224661).

Regarding claims 4-7, 14-17 and 23-24, White teaches all subject matters as claimed above, except for determining, controlling and managing a number of rollover minutes available to a particular subscriber on a month-to-month basis over the course of one full year subscription. However, Pericas et al. ("Pericas") teaches such features in paragraphs [0010], [0025], [0037] and [0046] for a purpose of improving the management and controlling of wireless accounts for wireless communication service subscriptions provided to wireless subscribers.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the use of the features of determining, controlling and managing a number of rollover minutes available to a particular subscriber on a month-to-month basis over the course of one full year subscription, as taught by Pericas, into view of White in

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order to improve the management and controlling of wireless accounts for wireless communication service subscriptions provided to wireless terminals of wireless subscribers.

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Plush et al. (US. Pat. #: 6,532,282) teaches a system and a method for rollover of bundle of call time on each billing period to the next period on subscribers' accounts in a mobile communications system.

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Binh K. Tieu whose telephone number is (571) 272-7510 and E-mail address: BINH.TIEU@USPTO.GOV.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Curtis Kuntz, can be reached on (571) 272-7499 and **IF PAPER HAS BEEN MISSED FROM THIS OFFICIAL ACTION PACKAGE, PLEASE CALL CUSTOMER SERVICE FOR THE SUBSTITUTIONS OR COPIES.**

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